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2 **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

3 **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

4 **[Docket No. CDC-2012-0013]**

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6 **Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact**

7 **Statement and Public Hearing**

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9 **AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

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11 **ACTION: Notice of Availability**

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13 **SUMMARY:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
14 (CDC), within the Department of Health and Human Services
15 (HHS), announces the availability of the Roybal Campus 2025
16 Master Plan Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for
17 public review and comment. This notice also announces the
18 date, location and time for the public hearing. The DEIS
19 analyzes the potential impacts associated with the
20 implementation of the 2015-2025 Master Plan (Master Plan)
21 for HHS/CDC's Edward R. Roybal Campus (Roybal Campus)
22 located at 1600 Clifton Road N.E., in Atlanta, Georgia.
23 This announcement follows the requirements of the National
24 Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) as implemented by

25 the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations (40
26 CFR Part 1500-1508); and, the Department of Health and
27 Human Services (HHS) General Administration Manual Part 30
28 Environmental Procedures, dated February 25, 2000.

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30 **DATES:** A public meeting will be held on Wednesday, January
31 29, 2014 at the CDC Edward R. Roybal Campus, 1600 Clifton
32 Road NE in Atlanta, Georgia beginning with an "open house"
33 at 6:00 p.m. EST. A formal presentation, followed by a
34 public comment period will follow at approximately 7:00
35 p.m. EST. Written comments must be received on or before
36 Monday, March 3, 2014.

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38 *Deadline for Requests for Special Accommodations:* Persons
39 wishing to participate in the public meeting who need
40 special accommodations should contact George Chandler
41 (gec2@cdc.gov or (404) 639-5153) by Wednesday, January 22,
42 2014.

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44 **ADDRESSES:** Requests for information on the DEIS or for a
45 paper/electronic copy should be directed to: George F.
46 Chandler, Senior Advisor, Centers for Disease Control and
47 Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, N.E., Mailstop A-22,
48 Atlanta, Georgia 30333. Information may also be requested

49 on the DEIS by electronic mail at gec2@cdc.gov or by
50 telephone at (404) 639-5153. The DEIS will be available on
51 the *Federal eRulemaking Portal*: <http://www.regulations.gov>,
52 identified by Docket No. CDC -2012-0013. Hard copies of
53 the DEIS are also available for review at locations listed
54 in the Availability of the DEIS under **Supplementary**
55 **Information.**

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57 You may submit comments identified by Docket No. CDC -2012-
58 0013, by any of the following methods:

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- 60 • *Federal eRulemaking Portal*:
61 <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions
62 for submitting comments.
 - 63 • Mail: George F. Chandler, Senior Advisor, Centers for
64 Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road NE,
65 Mailstop A-22, Atlanta, Georgia 30333

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67 Instructions: All submissions received must include the
68 agency name and Docket Number. All relevant comments
69 received will be posted without change to
70 <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal
71 information provided. For access to the docket, to read

72 background documents or comments received, go to
73 <http://www.regulations.gov>.

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75 Written and verbal comments on the DEIS will also be
76 accepted during the public meeting scheduled for Wednesday,
77 January 29, 2014, at the CDC Edward R. Roybal Campus, Tom
78 Harkin Global Communications Center (Building 19),
79 Auditorium A, 1600 Clifton Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30333.

80 Please be advised that the meeting is being held in a
81 Federal government building; therefore, Federal security
82 measures are applicable. For additional information please
83 see Roybal Campus Security Guidelines under **Supplementary**
84 **Information**.

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86 **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** George F. Chandler, Senior
87 Advisor, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600
88 Clifton Road N.E., Mailstop A-22, Atlanta, Georgia 30333.
89 Telephone: (404)639-5153.

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91 **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** HHS/CDC has prepared a new
92 long-range Master Plan to guide the future physical
93 development of the Roybal Campus for the planning horizon
94 of 2015 to 2025. The previous 2000-2009 Master Plan has
95 been implemented, and as a result, a new plan is needed in

96 order to ensure that the campus can support HHS/CDC's
97 mission and program requirements through 2025. Mission
98 change and growth resulting from emerging or reemerging
99 infectious diseases, reclassification of pathogens and
100 potential Program staff growth over time are expected to
101 drive increases in laboratory and non-laboratory staff and
102 demand for specialized space. The Master Plan provides an
103 update of baseline existing conditions and examines the
104 potential growth in agency mission, laboratory and
105 laboratory support space, office space and personnel
106 occupying the Roybal Campus, and identifies a preferred
107 alternative for future development. The preferred
108 alternative was the result of an extensive screening
109 process, which identified and evaluated a range of
110 conceptual development alternatives based on future program
111 needs, campus constraints, and specifically developed
112 selection criteria. Selection criteria included the
113 examination of regional and local planning policy, utility
114 demand, air quality, commute time, transportation system
115 capacity and greenhouse gas effects.

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117 **Alternatives Considered**

118 HHS/CDC analyzed two alternatives in the DEIS: the Proposed
119 Action and the No Action Alternative. The Proposed Action

120 Alternative consists of HHS/CDC's implementation of the
121 Master Plan preferred alternative. Improvements proposed
122 under the Master Plan preferred alternative include new
123 laboratory construction, existing building renovation,
124 parking expansion, and infrastructure upgrades. Under the
125 Master Plan preferred alternative, the new laboratory
126 building would contain approximately 350,000 to 450,000
127 gross square feet and would be constructed on an existing
128 surface parking lot located in the eastern portion of the
129 Roybal Campus. In addition to a new laboratory, a new
130 approximately 1,600 space parking deck would be constructed
131 just south of the new laboratory building. Construction of
132 the new parking deck, along with the new laboratory and
133 supporting infrastructure would eliminate an existing
134 surface parking and result in a net increase of
135 approximately 1,200 parking spaces at the Roybal Campus.
136 HHS/CDC anticipates that the construction of the new
137 parking deck would increase the campus parking cap from
138 3,300 to approximately 4,500 spaces. The employee
139 population at the Roybal Campus is projected to increase by
140 approximately 1,485 new occupants under the Master Plan
141 preferred alternative in 2025.

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143 The No Action Alternative represents continued operation of
144 the existing facilities at the Roybal Campus without any
145 new construction or building additions over the ten-year
146 planning period from 2015 to 2025. However, the employee
147 population at the Roybal Campus is projected to increase by
148 approximately 865 new occupants under the No Action
149 Alternative due to potential background growth of existing
150 Campus programs.

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152 The DEIS evaluates the environmental impacts that may
153 result from the Proposed Action and the No Action
154 Alternative on the natural and built environment.
155 Potential direct, indirect and cumulative impacts of each
156 alternative are evaluated on the following resource
157 categories: socioeconomics, land use, zoning, public
158 policy, community facilities, transportation, air quality,
159 noise, cultural resources, urban design and visual
160 resources, natural resources, utilities, waste, and
161 greenhouse gases and sustainability. The DEIS identifies
162 measures to mitigate potential adverse impacts.

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164 *Availability of the DEIS:* Copies of the DEIS have been
165 distributed to federal, state and local agencies and
166 organizations. The DEIS is also available online on the

167 *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>,
168 identified by Docket No. CDC -2012-0013. Copies of the
169 DEIS are available at the following locations: Decatur
170 Library, 215 Sycamore Street, Decatur, GA 30030; Toco Hill-
171 Avis G. Williams Library, 1282 McConnell Drive, Decatur, GA
172 30030; Atlanta-Public Library Ponce de Leon Branch, 980
173 Ponce de Leon Ave NE, Atlanta, GA 30306; Atlanta-Public
174 Library- Central Library, One Margaret Mitchell Square,
175 Atlanta, GA 30303; Atlanta-Public Library-Kirkwood Branch,
176 11 Kirkwood Rd NE Atlanta, GA 30317; and, Emory
177 University- Robert W Woodruff Library, 540 Asbury Cir,
178 Atlanta, GA 30322.

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180 Paper and electronic copies can also be requested as
181 instructed in the **Addresses** section of this notice.

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183 *Public Meeting:* HHS/CDC will hold a public meeting on
184 Wednesday, January 29, 2014 at the HHS/CDC Edward R. Roybal
185 Campus, Tom Harkin Global Communications Center (Building
186 19), Auditorium A, 1600 Clifton Road N.E., Atlanta, GA
187 30333 to solicit public comments on the DEIS. Comments can
188 be submitted in writing or verbally during the public
189 meeting. The public meeting will consist of an "Open House"
190 from 6:00 p.m. EST to approximately 7:00 p.m. EST, followed

191 by a formal presentation and a formal comment period.
192 Comment cards will be available at the Open House for those
193 who wish to submit written comments for the record. Those
194 wishing to make verbal comments will be asked to pre-
195 register during the Open House portion of the public
196 meeting. The formal presentations will begin at
197 approximately 7:00 p.m. EST, at which time HHS/CDC will
198 provide an overview of the NEPA process and the Master Plan
199 proposed improvements and associated environmental impacts.
200 The formal presentations will be followed by a formal
201 public comment period.

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203 A stenographer will record the formal portion of the public
204 meeting. An American Sign Language Interpreter will also
205 be available at both portions of the public hearing. A
206 transcript of the meeting and all comments will be made
207 available to the public and will be posted to the public
208 docket at www.regulations.gov, identified by Docket No. CDC
209 -2012-0013.

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211 **Roybal Campus Security Guidelines.** The HHS/CDC Edward R.
212 Roybal Campus is the headquarters of the U.S. Centers for
213 Disease Control and Prevention and is located at 1600
214 Clifton Road, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia. The public hearing is

215 being held in a Federal government building; therefore,
216 Federal security measures are applicable. In planning your
217 arrival time, please take into account the need to park and
218 clear security. All visitors must enter the Roybal Campus
219 through the entrance on Clifton Road; the guard force will
220 direct visitors to the designated parking area. Visitors
221 must present government issued photo identification (e.g.,
222 a valid Federal identification badge, state driver's
223 license, state non-driver's identification card, or
224 passport). Non-United States citizens must present a valid
225 passport, visa, Permanent Resident Card, or other type of
226 work authorization document. All persons entering the
227 building must pass through a metal detector. Visitors will
228 be issued a visitor's ID badge at the entrance to Building
229 19 and will be escorted in groups of 5 to 10 persons to the
230 meeting room. All items brought to HHS/CDC are subject to
231 inspection.

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